

**Amendment No. 1 to HB2629**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 2238\***

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. There is created a special joint study committee to examine all issues pertaining to the effectiveness, efficiency, unforeseen consequences and administrative ramifications of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-501(i)(1), and the public policies established therein with respect to the abolition of release eligibility for certain criminal offenders.

SECTION 2. The committee shall consist of six (6) legislative members. The commissioner of correction, or the commissioner's designee, shall serve as an ex officio, voting member of the committee. The speaker of the senate shall appoint three (3) legislative members of the committee as follows: one member of the senate finance, ways and means committee; one member of the senate state and local government committee; and one member of the senate judiciary committee. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint the remaining three (3) legislative members as follows: one member of the house finance, ways and means committee; one member of the house state and local government committee; and one member of the house judiciary committee.

The committee shall be convened by the legislative member with the most years of continuous legislative service, and, at its organizational meeting, shall elect from its membership, a chair, vice-chair and such other officers, as it may deem necessary.

SECTION 3. The committee shall study, receive testimony, deliberate upon and make recommendations regarding the effectiveness, efficiency, unforeseen

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consequences and administrative ramifications of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-501(i)(1).

SECTION 4. The special joint study committee shall report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the governor and the general assembly prior to the conclusion of the organizational session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.